## **Consideration of the dedication of the Calvert-Porter Addition Nature Preserve in Montgomery County**

The proposed Nature Preserve is a 77.365 acre property in the east central portion of Montgomery County, approximately 3.5 miles north of the town of New Ross and is within the Sugar Creek watershed.

The Nature Preserve protects a Central Till Plain Flatwoods forest remnant with biologically diverse ephemeral wetlands in Indiana's Tipton Till Plain Section of the Central Till Plain Natural Region.

This Nature Preserve addition consists of a high quality wet and wet-mesic forest types. The ephemeral wetlands are dominated by red maple, pin oak, and red elm. The upland areas surrounding the wet sloughs contain Shumard's Oak, Swamp White Oak, Shellbark Hickory, American Beech, American Elm, and other trees, shrubs, and herbaceous plantrs typical of these forest ecosystems. This biologically diverse woodland will serve to buffer the adjacent Calvert-Porter Nature Preserve from additional conversion of the surrounding landscape, thereby enhancing its viability on into the future.

Animal species found in this Nature Preserve include several forest-dwelling amphibian species including the Small-mouth Salamander.

This tract is owned and managed by the Department of Natural Resources Division of Nature Preserves.

The Division of Nature Preserves recommends dedication of this site as a State Nature Preserve.

Attached is Nature Preserves exhibit A.

## Calvert & Porter Addition Nature Preserve

## Exhibit A

County: Montgomery Size: 77.365 acres USGS Quad Map: Shannondale Ownership: Div of Nature Preserves



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